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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * STANT FREDERICK T III			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol IONICS INC [ION]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
	(First) (N S MULLEN, 222 PARK AVE STE	Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/22/2005					_X_ DirectorOfficer (give below)				
VIRGINIA	(Street) BEACH, VA 234	162	4. If Amer Filed(Mon			· ·			6. Individual or Jo Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by O Form filed by M Person	•	rson	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non	ı-D	erivative Se	curitio	es Acqu	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deen Execution any (Month/E	n Date, if	Code (Instr. 8		4. Securitie n(A) or Disp (Instr. 3, 4 and Amount	osed o		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	02/22/2005			U		230,196	D (1)	\$ 44	0	I	See Footnote (2) (3)	
Common Stock	02/22/2005			U		541	D (1)	\$ 44	0	D		

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number prof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price Deriva Securit (Instr.
			Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 25.1	02/22/2005	U	2	2,000	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	2,000	\$ 4

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

STANT FREDERICK T III WILLIAMS MULLEN 222 CENTRAL PARK AVE STE 1700 VIRGINIA BEACH, VA 23462



Signatures

/s/ Stephen Korn, Attorney-in-fact 02/22/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person Da

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The disposition of the securities is exempt pursuant to Section 16b-3(e).

Includes 14,479 shares held by The Richard Dickerson Irrevocable Trust No. 3 dated July 1, 1991, 33,540 shares held by The Douglas Dickerson Irrevocable Trust No. 3 f/b/o Meredith D. Walthall, 33,540 shares held by The Douglas Dickerson Irrevocable Trust No. 3 f/b/o Paige L. Dickerson, 33,539 shares held by The Douglas Dickerson Irrevocable Trust No. 3 f/b/o Douglas G Dickerson, II, 14,479

- shares held by The Richard Dickerson Irrevocable Trust No. 3 dated July 1, 1991, 20,124 shares held by The Richard Dickerson Irrevocable Trust No. 3 f/b/o Courtney B. Dickerson, 20,124 shares held by The Richard Dickerson Irrevocable Trust No. 3 f/b/o Ryan C. Dickerson, 20,124 shares held by The Richard Dickerson Irrevocable Trust No. 3 f/b/o Ryan C. Dickerson, 20,124 shares held by The Richard Dickerson Irrevocable Trust No. 3 f/b/o Richard Dickerson Irrevocable Trust No. 3 f/b/o Richard Dickerson Irrevocable Trust No. 3 f/b/o Richard C. Dickerson, Jr.
- (3) Mr. Stant, as the independent trustee of each trust, has the sole power to direct the voting, and the shared power to direct the disposition, of the shares of common stock held by these trusts. However, he has no pecuniary interest in these shares.

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Pursuant to the Merger Agreement between the issuer, General Electric Company and Triton Acquisition Corp., the stock options will be converted at the effective time of the merger into the right to receive a cash payment equal to the excess of \$44.00 over the exercise price of such stock option multiplied by the number of shares subject to such stock option. The disposition of the securities is exempt pursuant to Section 16b-3(e).

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